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K. of P. Grand Lodge to Storm Tulsa Next Week

Tulsa Ready to Receive Army of Visitors

The biggest convention ever held in Tulsa by the colored people of the state will be called to order in Tulsa's new magnificent convention hall next Tuesday morning when Grand Chancellor Wm. H. Harrison of Oklahoma City takes up the gavel and convenes the seventh annual session of the Knights of Pythias of Oklahoma. Fully one thousand visitors are expected and the doors of hospitable Tulsa will be thrown open to welcome them. For three days beginning Tuesday the gallant knights and the ladies of the Court of Calanthe will be given full control of the city to do as they will, and nothing will be left undone to make them comfortable and happy during their stay here. The local committee composed of W. D. Woods, J. H. Wells, Chas. Warren, J. C. Smith, D. Collins, C. Jefferson and E. C. Washington have worked faithfully to be prepared to entertain the Grand Lodge, and citizens have responded liberally to their support. Wednesday night, the second day of the grand lodge meeting, a banquet will be served at the convention hall after which those who feel disposed may trip the fantastic toe to the music of the famous Royal Brothers orchestra of Sapulpa. The convention hall has a seating capacity of 4,300 people and 300 couples can conveniently dance on the floor. Admission to the hall Tuesday night will be 75 cents, which will include a plate at the banquet table.

The following program will be rendered during the banquet: Toastmaster of the evening—Hon. W. M. Harrison, Grand Chancellor, Oklahoma City. Solo—Bethlehem—Mrs. Lella Hudson. Instrumental Duet—Miss Hustina Netherland, Master J. P. Netherland. Solo—Mr. P. L. Oliver. Banquet—10 p. m., after which you will be entertained by the Sapulpa orchestra, Royal Brothers.

The net big meeting this year in Tulsa this year will be the Odd Fellows Grand Lodge which meets here August 13-15. Great preparations are being made for this meeting. Watch The Star for particulars.

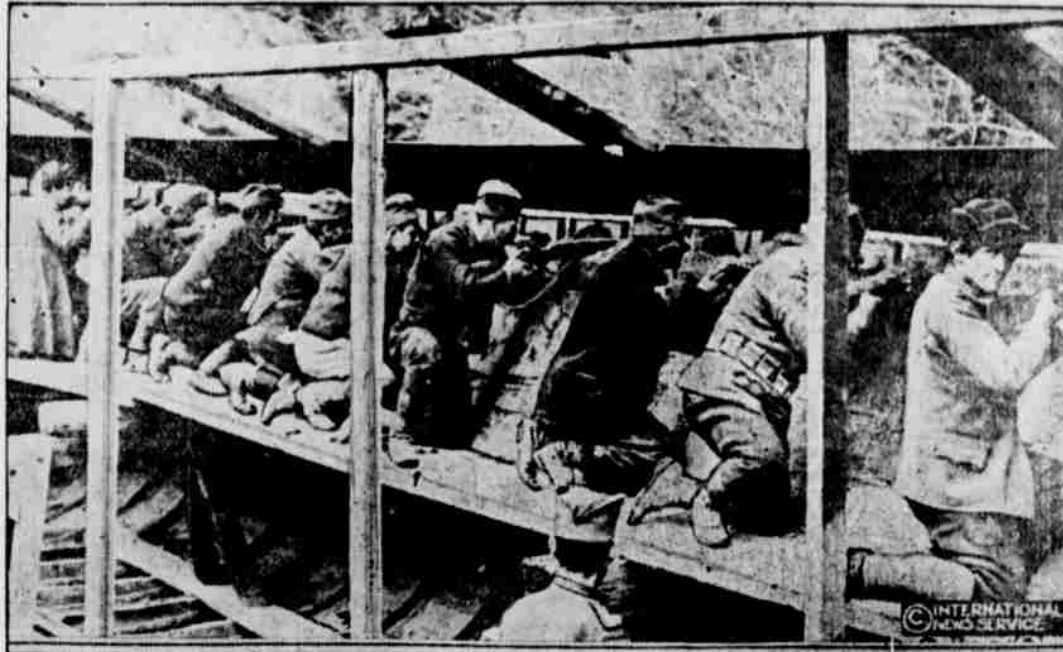
Lawyer Stradford is Home With Bride

Fresh from the 1915 graduating class of the Columbia University law school and a newly-wed with his beautiful young bride at his side, C. F. Stradford, younger son of J. B. Stradford of this city arrived here Wednesday afternoon with his New York bride accompanied by his aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Stradford of Independence.

Young Stradford will go into the law practice here and equipped with the best educational foundation from two of the leading institutions in the country he will in all probability develop into a very able and efficient lawyer. His bride is a very accomplished young woman and is very much attached to her hubby.

J. B. Stradford, father of the young man, and who vies here, went from Tulsa to New York City to see the graduation of his son on one day, and witness his marriage the next, has returned, leaving the bride and groom with his brother at Independence, Kas., from whence they arrived Wednesday afternoon. A formal reception will be given the bride and groom at week under the auspice of the local business league.

INTRENCHED IN STEEL BARGES SERBIANS RAKE AUSTRIAN'S TRENCHES



Mounted on platforms within the barges the Serbian marksmen pour a deadly fire into the enemy's position, as they float down the Danube.

STRADFORD IN THE EAST

Editor of the Tulsa Star: Dear Sir.—Since I wrote my last letter to you, I find that the sunlight of civilization has begun to shed its resplendent rays in the dark and benighted state of Oklahoma; the sun kissed the heaven-blessed land of the fair Gods. I have always contended that the white man will have to give a better excuse to the colored citizens of this republic sooner or later for his treatment of them, e. g. Jim Crowing, taking his vote away from him and general discrimination such as abuse, pillage, burning, lynching and rape. I am friendly to the belief that this country is setting on a volcano and the eruption is not far distant. The foe may be foreign, of which I have no doubt, with ten millions of its citizens aiding and abetting the foe this country will be doomed to destruction and ruin. The good book says that if a house divides against itself it cannot stand. Chief Justice White, a southern man and his associates realizing the gravity of the situation faced the issue without a dissenting opinion and declared that the law was in direct opposition to the 15th amendment to the Constitution of the U. S., which granted the rights of suffrage to the colored man. The black race is not responsible for being here, nor is it responsible for being God Almighty's natural bouquet, for the laws which are enacted for its government. But since the burdens of citizenship have been placed upon him he should not be deprived of the rights of citizenship. A Dago, a Chinaman, a Jap, an Indian or a what-not has the rights of citizenship, sleeping car reservation, chair cars and all other accommodations are provided for the white man and his ilk while a dirty quarter of a coach is provided for the colored race and a box car should be furnished for the Indians, so far as appearance and culture is concerned. It is the duty of every state in this union to remove from its statute books every black law. It is the duty of every citizen be he black or white to defend the constitution and to act in perfect accord with the laws and executors of the laws of the country. And when the eruption comes, we can gladly take up arms to fight the foe, for our flag, for our country and for what our forefathers bled and died on the many battlefields of this country, not until a man is as secure from mob law and violence on the southern banks of the Mississippi as he is on the banks of the Kennebec river in Maine, will this government have completed its mission. I had the pleasure to attend the republican state convention which convened in Lexington on or about June 15th, and listened with delight to the oratory of those spellbinding Kentuckians and especially that of Judge Morrow. It was the most hor-

monious convention I ever attended. There was only one question that seemed to have any division. State-wide prohibition on the one side and the county-unit law on the other. Dunlap in advocating the county unit law said, what he wore and what he drank what he eat and what church he attended were not political questions.

The convention agreed with Mr. Dunlap and the county unit law was adopted. The black man was well represented. He occupied a place in all the district delegations on the stage and in the galleries and the relationship was perfectly agreeable. Indianapolis was the next place visited.

Of all the cities which I have visited, the greatest of them all is Indianapolis. I shall not attempt to tell of all of her virtues, and advantages, which are opened to our people for time and space will not admit. But my deductions from a careful observation and investigation have convinced me that the statement above is unqualifiedly correct. Many changes have occurred since I lived there. And many of my friends, acquaintances, and relatives have passed into the world beyond, but slowly and surely the race is making wonderful strides in the advancement of civilization especially morally and financially.

I spent one day in St. Louis, conditions are much better there than they were when I lived there, for our people. The white people all over the large cities of the U. S. are awakening to a sense of their duties to our people and are furnishing parks, Y. M. C. A. libraries and other needful things.

Muskogee News

(By Staff Correspondent.)

The Fourth, last Sunday, was almost cold enough for skating, but not a few of our citizens were abroad in their Palm Beach suits.

The Rev. A. C. Roker, pastor of the St. Phillips Episcopal Mission, who was recently ordained as a full fledged priest, officiated last Sunday for the first time in serving sacrament. The Rev. Roker is a faithful and energetic worker in his church and he is now planning to organize a ladies' guild.

A Federation of the women missionaries of the five Methodist churches of Muskogee has been effected and a series of meetings with appropriate programs at each of the churches is announced. The first meeting was held at Bebee chapel on July 8th. The other exercises will be held as follows:

Ward Chapel, A. M. E., July 15; Spencer Chapel, M. E., July 22; Bethel A. M. E. church, July 26th; Lane Chapel, August 5th. The pastor and lady missionaries

are hoping for much good to result from these meetings.

The Macedonian Baptist Church is to install its new pastor with appropriate ceremonies on July 11. The Rev. Pickens will preside and Rev. McClelland will officiate in the installation.

Quite a large audience greeted Rev. Nicholson of Bebee Chapel last Sunday and the contributions toward the \$600.00 rally were very satisfactory.

Under the auspices of the local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of the Colored people, Prof. Wm. Pickens, graduate of Yale and well known Negro orator, delivered a lecture at the Y. M. C. A. hall last Tuesday evening. Quite an enthusiastic audience greeted Prof. Pickens and they were pleased with the message he brought.

Dr. W. G. Kalew and Mr. C. G. Lowe are conducting a large and successful poultry farm north of the city. Their pens are headed by the best poultry prize winners in the country, and they are making a specialty of egg production.

The Hon. E. N. Guillory, our well known and popular citizen, has announced his candidacy for Grand Chancellor of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma K. of P. s. Mr. Guillory is one of the most experienced men in Oklahoma in secret society work, and he has also had a wide experience in financial affairs of benevolent and insurance organizations. Mr. Guillory is a man of unblemished character and reputation and Oklahoma will honor itself by elevating him to this post.

The Married Ladies Club gave an informal dance at Carter's Hall last Monday night. Mesdames R. E. Stewart, G. W. P. Brown, and M. C. Simmons were the promoters of the pleasant occasion and they and their friends and guests spent a delightful evening.

Prof. Wm. Pickens was guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott Brown while in the city.

Mr. L. T. Moore, bookkeeper for the Page Lumber Co., has opened a grocery and meat market in the Love bldg.

Prof. Bly, a graduate of Alcorn A. & M. College, Mississippi, spent the past week here. He attended the Okmulgee normal.

Grand Chancellor Harrison after a three weeks visit here has returned to Oklahoma City.

Pauls Valley Dots

Mr. and Mrs. Tomes Lilly have a fine girl born at their home, weighing 9 pounds.

Mr. T. A. Carter, from Purcell, Okla., spent Sunday in Pauls Valley with Miss C. E. Brown, 504 S. Chickasaw.

Mrs. A. L. Kidd was here Sunday visiting friends and relatives. She has left for Lone Wolf to spend the rest of the summer.

Mr. Billie Vann from Bristow was here this week. He was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. James of Pauls Valley, to Wynnewood.

GEORGIA CONTINUES HER USUAL LYNCHING RECORD

New Jersey Sends Colored Man To World's Expo.

Atlantic City, N. J.—Recognition has come to J. C. Edwards of this city by the state and city government. He is one of the commissioners to represent this state at the Exposition to be held during the month of July, August in Richmond, Virginia. Mr. Edwards is a member of the National Negro Press Association, and is an executive committee member from this state. Several weeks ago the commissioners of this city voted \$100.00 to assist in defraying the expenses of Mr. Edwards and at the same time donated all the flags, bunting and decorations that will be necessary for him to use in decorating his "MINIATURE ATLANTIC CITY BOARD WALK AND THE STREET SCENE TO BE SHOWN IN RICHMOND, VA." in connection with this. Mr. Edwards has given out that he is going to show what the Negro Press is doing. He has asked all the Negro newspapers, magazines and publications to send not less than two and not more than one dozen copies of their publication to his address, 215 N. Connecticut Avenue, Atlantic City, N. J., at once, so that he can exhibit them on "the Streets of Atlantic City" in Richmond, Virginia. He is to have rolling chairs bathing establishments, stores, etc. The members of the Press Association are to co-operate with Mr. Edwards, that his exhibit may be a success.

McDaniel Out for Grand Chancellor.

It was learned here in Tulsa this week that E. E. McDaniel of McAlester will be in fact is now, a candidate for executive head of the K. of P. s. of Oklahoma, and is in the ring with both E. J. McDaniel and there are many who think he has a splendid chance to bluff the plum.

BARTLESVILLE DOTS.

The revival at the Baptist church is a rapid progress. Several have been added to the church. More than 200 have been added since the revival. Rev. J. J. Jennings, P. C., is conducting the meeting.

There was quite an exciting time down in the Y in the colored section of the city last Thursday evening, when Mrs. Minnie Nichols fired two shots into the body of her husband Mr. Ira Nichols. One shot took effect in the leg breaking the bone and the other in the breast. It was reported serious but Mr. Nichols is resting very well now, while his wife is still confined in the county jail.

Mr. C. W. Nichols a prominent business man of Coweta, Okla., has returned to his home after spending a few days with his brother Ira Nichols who was shot by his wife.

Mr. Will Nichols of Coweta is here with his uncle Ira Nichols.

Rev. R. M. Perrin P. E. of Tulsa district is in the city this week, he will hold his quarterly conference at A. M. E. church Sunday July 11. Everybody is invited to be present.

Rev. J. N. B. Walls spent last week at home visiting his family.

Mr. B. Scott of Jamaica Island is in the city.

There will be a Sunday school picnic given by A. M. E. Sunday school Sunday July 11.

The Tulsa team won over the Bartlesville Blues last Saturday 2 to 0 in favor of Tulsa.

The 3-4-5 celebration here was a great success. Everybody had a good time thousands of people attended it from different places.

Mrs. Will Ward is out again after several days of illness.

The Embroidery Club meets at Mrs. Walter Byc's Thursday evening.

Miss Bertha Garland of Independence, Kan., is in the city this week.

Mr. Will James has opened a nice cafe on Dewey ave., give him a call. Dickson Tailor Shop 109 Dewey ave.

Mob Murders Innocent Man And His Son; No Arrest Made of Lynchers

Macon, July 5.—An all-day search by officers and an armed posse of farmers failed today to reveal the whereabouts of the negro slayers of Silas Turner, a prominent planter of Jones county, who was shot Sunday near Round Oak. Two negroes were killed by infuriated friends of Turner shortly after the murder, but quiet prevailed in the county tonight, and the authorities said they expected no further trouble.

Sheriff Etheridge said he had heard that several negroes had been killed in the race riot Sunday night, but that he had seen the bodies of only two, Alton Green and his young son of Wayside. "They had nothing to do with the murder of Turner," added the sheriff.

The above excerpt shows conclusively the dangerous proportions mob violence has assumed in Georgia, as in every other state where those in authority have winked at it and failed to do their duty as officers and as good citizens. It is a common thing in Georgia for mobs to form and ruthlessly murder men, women and children, and they run no risk of receiving punishment so long as its victims are Negroes. This state of lawlessness has existed in Georgia for years and the attempted lynching of Gov. Slaton recently by an infuriated mob of murderers was a natural result of a well established habit which years of practice had made almost irresistible, and which came very nearly reaching a climax as a crime. When the governor himself was threatened, regarded that the state militia was so dangerous was the situation recalled out to protect the governor from death at the hands of a mob.

Think of this terrible condition of affairs in great America—the United States and we smile with disdain, scorn and contempt at our boasted civilization, and frown in shame upon our institutions of justice which tolerate these conditions. Mob law is dangerous and will undermine the foundations of any government that permits it. Unless this monster is subdued in this country serious trouble is sure to follow. Lynching innocent men, women and children cannot continue much longer in any part of this country without arousing the blood of the people so unwantonly wronged. A terrible volcano is smoldering under the foundations of this government, and unless the lawlessness of mobs is soon stamped out and the majesty of the law reigns supreme hell will break loose in Dixie some fine morning, and another revolution will be on. If the state governments cannot stop mob violence, the federal government should stop it. At any cost it must be stopped.

Old Citizen Dead

Probably one of the most impressive funeral services ever heard in Tulsa was preached at the A. M. E. church last Monday by Rev. Jas. A. Johnson, over the remains of Ben Lofton, some sixty years old who died at Norman last Saturday and was brought to Tulsa where for twenty-five years he had lived the busy life of a progressive citizen to be buried. During his lifetime Mr. Lofton was loved by all who knew him for his integrity. A few months ago he joined the A. M. E. church intimating at the time that he realized that his time was short. About a month ago following a spell of illness which he could not throw off and doubtless worrying over his business responsibilities. He lost his mind and was taken to Norman where he remained until his death last week. He leaves a devoted wife, a daughter and several other relatives. The Star extends sincere sympathy to the family.